

Written Testimony of Xaira Graves
Parent, New London Even Start Program
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Dear members of the Appropriations Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony. My name is Xaira Graves and I am a parent in the New London Even Start Program.

The program has been a great help for me. I am enrolled in the English as a Second Language program and am also a parent of the Even Start Program. The program has helped me with transportation and education for me and my son. Learning English will make me more competitive in the labor market. I know that joining the program was a great opportunity for me and my son who am convinced will learned many things. I believe this is a unique opportunity for me to take a big leap at the end of my studies thanks to the Even Start Program because without it I would not be able to do this.